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Response to Decision on Petition

Sir:

In response to the Office of Petitions Decision mailed 5 January 2005 in the above-noted application, entrance of the following remarks and preliminary amendment into the record is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 3 of this paper.